

NOTICE TO CALIFORNIA COMMERCIAL FISHERMEN AND PROCESSORS

2005 Federal Groundfish Management Measures that Affect Fishermen in Federal and State Waters off California

FIXED GEAR**LIMITED ENTRY****September - October**

Rockfish Conservation Area (RCA)^{6/}:			
North of 46°16' N. lat.	shoreline - 100 fm	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	30 fm - 150 fm
46°16' N. lat. - 40°10' N. lat.	30 fm - 100 fm	South of 34°27' N. lat.	60 fm - 150 fm
See § 660.370 and § 660.381 for Additional Gear, Trip Limit, and Conservation Area Requirements and Restrictions. See § 660.390 - § 660.394 for Conservation Area Descriptions and Coordinates (including RCAs, YRCA, CCAs, Farallon Islands, and Cordell Banks). State trip limits may be more restrictive than federal trip limits, particularly in waters off California			
	September - October		September - October
North of 40°10'		South of 40°10'	
Minor slope rockfish ^{2/} & Darkblotched rockfish	4,000 lb/ 2 months	1 Minor slope rockfish ^{2/} & Darkblotched rockfish	40,000 lb/ 2 months
Pacific ocean perch	1,800 lb/ 2 months	2 Splitnose	40,000 lb/ 2 months
Sablefish	300 lb/ day, or 1 landing per week of up to 900 lb, not to exceed 3,600 lb/ 2 months	3 Sablefish	
		4 40°10' - 36° N. lat.	300 lb/ day, or 1 landing per week of up to 900 lb, not to exceed 3,600 lb/ 2 months
		5 South of 36° N. lat.	350 lb/ day, or 1 landing per week of up to 1,050 lb
Longspine thornyhead	10,000 lb/ 2 months	6 Longspine thornyhead	10,000 lb/ 2 months
Shortspine thornyhead	2,000 lb/ 2 months	7 Shortspine thornyhead	2,000 lb/ 2 months
Dover sole	5,000 lb/ month South of 42° N. lat., when fishing for "other flatfish," vessels using hook-and-line gear with no more than 12 hooks per line, using hooks no larger than "Number 2" hooks, which measure 11 mm (0.44 inches) point to shank, and up to 1 lb (0.45 kg) of weight per line are not subject to the RCAs.	8 Dover sole	5,000 lb/ month
Arrowtooth flounder		9 Arrowtooth flounder	When fishing for "other flatfish," vessels using hook-and-line gear with no more than 12 hooks per line, using hooks no larger than "Number 2" hooks, which measure 11 mm (0.44 inches) point to shank, and up to 1 lb (0.45 kg) of weight per line are not subject to the RCAs.
Petrable sole		10 Petrale sole	
English sole		11 English sole	
Other flatfish ^{1/}		12 Other flatfish ^{1/}	
Whiting	10,000 lb/ trip	13 Whiting	10,000 lb/ trip
Minor shelf rockfish ^{2/} , Shortbelly, Widow, & Yellowtail rockfish	200 lb/ month	14 Minor shelf rockfish ^{2/} , Shortbelly, & Widow rockfish	
		15 40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	300 lb/ 2 months
		16 South of 34°27' N. lat.	3,000 lb/ 2 months
		17 Chilipepper rockfish	2,000 lb/ 2 months, this opportunity only available seaward of the nontrawl RCA
Canary rockfish	CLOSED	18 Canary rockfish	CLOSED
Yelloweye rockfish	CLOSED	19 Yelloweye rockfish	CLOSED
		20 Cowcod	CLOSED
		21 Bocaccio	
		22 40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	300 lb/ 2 months
		23 South of 34°27' N. lat.	300 lb/ 2 months
Minor nearshore rockfish & Black rockfish	State Permit Required	24 Minor nearshore rockfish & Black rockfish	State Permit Required
	6,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 1,200 lb of which may be species other than black or blue rockfish ^{3/}	25 Shallow nearshore	500 lb/ 2 months
		26 Deeper nearshore	
		27 40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	400 lb/ 2 months
		28 South of 34°27' N. lat.	600 lb/ 2 months

		29	California scorpionfish	400 lb/ 2 months
Lingcod ^{4/}	800 lb/ 2 months	30	Lingcod ^{4/}	800 lb/ 2 months
Other fish ^{5/} & Pacific cod	Not limited	31	Other fish ^{5/} & Cabezon	Not limited

- 1/ "Other flatfish" are defined at § 660.302 and include butter sole, curlfin sole, flathead sole, Pacific sanddab, rex sole, rock sole, sand sole, and starry flounder.
- 2/ Bocaccio, chilipepper and cowcod are included in the trip limits for minor shelf rockfish and splitnose rockfish is included in the trip limits for minor slope rockfish North of 40 10' N Latitude. POP is included in the trip limits for minor slope rockfish and yellowtail is included in the trip limits for minor shelf rockfish South of 40 10' N Latitude.
- 3/ For black rockfish north of Cape Alava (48°09.50' N. lat.), and between Destruction Is. (47°40' N. lat.) and Leadbetter Pnt. (46°38.17' N. lat.), there is an additional limit of 100 lb or 30 percent by weight of all fish on board, whichever is greater, per vessel, per fishing trip.
- 4/ The minimum size limit for lingcod is 24 inches (61 cm) total length.
- 5/ "Other fish" are defined at § 660.302 and include sharks, skates, rattfish, morids, grenadiers, and kelp greenling. Cabezon is included in the trip limits for "other fish." See state regulations for permit requirements and trip limits.
- 6/ The Rockfish Conservation Area is a gear and/or sector specific closed area generally described by depth contours but specifically defined by lat/long coordinates set out at § 660.390.

To convert pounds to kilograms, divide by 2.20462, the number of pounds in one kilogram.

**State cumulative trip limits for cabezon, greenlings, and California sheephead
(includes all gears, statewide)***

	Sept/Oct	Minimum Size limits
Cabezon	900	15 in (TL)
Greenlings	0	12 in (TL)
Sheephead	2,400	13 in (TL)

* CGS fisheries will close if the allocation amounts are reached.



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<http://www.nwr.noaa.gov/1press/sfdpress.htm>

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Minor slope rockfish^{1/} & Darkblotched rockfish	Per trip, no more than 25% of weight of the sablefish landed	1	Minor slope rockfish^{1/} & Darkblotched rockfish
Pacific ocean perch	100 lb/ month	2	40°10' - 38° N. lat.
		3	South of 38° N. lat.
		4	Splitnose
Sablefish	300 lb/ day, or 1 landing per week of up to 900 lb, not to exceed 3,600 lb/ 2 months	5	Sablefish
		6	40°10' - 36° N. lat.
		7	South of 36° N. lat.
Thornyheads	CLOSED	8	Thornyheads
		9	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.
		10	South of 34°27' N. lat.
Dover sole	3,000 lb/month, no more than 300 lb of which may be species other than Pacific sanddabs. South of 42° N. lat., when fishing for "other flatfish," vessels using hook-and-line gear with no more than 12 hooks per line, using hooks no larger than "Number 2" hooks, which measure 11 mm (0.44 inches) point to shank, and up to 1 lb (0.45 kg) of weight per line are not subject to the RCAs.	11	Dover sole
Arrowtooth flounder		12	Arrowtooth flounder
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Other flatfish^{2/}		15	Other flatfish^{2/}
Whiting	300 lb/ month	16	Whiting
Minor shelf rockfish^{1/}, Shortbelly, Widow, & Yellowtail rockfish	200 lb/ month. Salmon trollers may retain and land up to 1 lb of yellowtail rockfish for every 2 lbs of salmon landed, with a cumulative limit of 200 lb/month, both within and outside of the RCA. This limit is within the 200 lb per month combined limit for minor shelf rockfish, widow rockfish and yellowtail rockfish, and not in addition to that limit.	17	Minor shelf rockfish^{1/}, Shortbelly, Widow & Chilipepper rockfish
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